

Docket No. 197748US0PCT  
 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Michinobu NAKAMURA, et al.  
 SERIAL NO: 09/674,280  
 FILED: December 21, 2000  
 FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING PROTEIN HYDROLYZATE



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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (executed)  
Ex parte Jones

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	7	MINUS	20	0	x \$18 =	\$0.00
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated March 4, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this response.

**Support for the Amendments** begin on page 5 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this response.